MINUTES OF THE SENATE NATURAL RESOURCES, AGRICULTURE, AND ENVIRONMENT STANDING COMMITTEE

Tuesday, January 25, 2011 415 State Capitol, Utah State Capitol Complex

Members Present: Sen, Ralph Okerlund, Chair

Sen. Allen Christensen

Sen. Gene Davis Sen. Margaret Dayton

Sen. David Hinkins Sen. Dennis Stowell

Staff Present: J Brian Allred, Policy Analyst

Cynthia Millar, Secretary

Public Speakers Present: Mike Styler, Director, Department of Natural Resorces

Steve Clyde, Attorney, Central Utah Water District Fred W. Finlinson, Attorney, Utah Water Coalition

Kyle Stephens, Deputy Commissioner, Utah Department of

Agriculture and food

David Eldeson, President, Utah Cattlemen's Association

Brent Tanner, Executive Director, Utah Cattlemen's Association

A list of visitors and a copy of handouts are filed with the committee minutes.

Committee Chair Okerlund called the meeting to order at 2:25 p.m.

1. Chair Okerlund informed those present that, S.B. 108 Joint Use of Water Infrastructure (Sen. D. Stowell) would not be heard today.

Chair Okerlund had each member of the committee introduce themselves.

Senator Dayton assumed the committee chair.

2. S.B. 25 Share Certificates in Water Companies (Sen. R. Okerlund)

Sen. Ralph Okerlund introduced the bill. Mike Styler, Director, Department of Natural Resources, assisted in the presentation.

Steve Clyde, Attorney, Central Utah Water District and Fred W. Finlinson, Attorney, Utah Water Coalition, spoke in support of the bill.

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MOTION: Sen. Okerlund moved to pass S.B. 25, Share Certificates in Water Companies, out favorably.

The motion passed unanimously.

3. S.B. 32 Agriculture Amendments (Sen. R. Okerlund)

Sen. Ralph Okerlund introduced the bill. Kyle Stephens, Deputy Commissioner, Utah Department of Agriculture and Food, assisted in the presentation.

Dave Eldeson, President, Utah Cattlemen's Association and Brent Tanner, Executive Director, Utah Cattleman's Association spoke for the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Okerlund moved to pass S.B. 32, Agriculture Amendments out favorably.

The motion passed unanimously.

4. S.B. 102 Temporary Water Shortage Emergency - Military Facilities (Sen. R. Okerlund)

Sen. Ralph Okerlund introduced the bill

MOTION: Sen. Okerlund moved to pass S.B. 102, Temporary Water Shortage Emergency-Military Facilities out favorably.

The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Sen. Okerlund moved to adjourn.

The motion passed unanimously.

Sen. Dayton adjourned the meeting at 3:07 p.m.

Minutes reported by Cynthia Millar, Secretary

Ralph Okerlund, Committee Chair

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